through pipeline if an oil mill is set up after drilling proved successful. In those days of economic crisis, it is the best proposal from savings point of view. I would, therefore, like to request the Central Government to take action to set up the proposed oil refinery at Shahpura in Jabalpur district of Madhya Pradesh in Central India during the Eighth Five Year Plan.

(ii) Need to open Navodaya Vidyalaya in Bastar District, Madhya Pradesh.

[*Translation*]

SHRI MANKU RAM SODI (Bastar): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I would like to give the following notice under rule 377:–

The literacy percentage of male and female is very low in educationally backward and Adiwasi dominated Bastar district. Today, they are lagging far behind in the pace of development due to lack of education and they feel as if they are far away from the national mainstream. Due to lack of education, they have been subjected to exploitation socially, economically and politically for years.

It is, therefore, necessary, that we should take the Adivasis together in the pace of growth of education. Today, there are 45 districts in Madhya Pradesh, out of which Navodaya Vidyalayas have already been set up under very popular scheme of new education policy in 30 districts. But Bastar district has not so far been covered under the scheme. Thus, the youth of the area are far behind the pace of progress.

I would,therefore request the Central Government to include the State Government's proposal to open a Navodaya Vidyalaya in Bastar in the plan of current financial year.

[*English*]

(iii) Need to convert narrow gange railway line between Pachor and Jamnagar on Central Railway into broad gauge and also to extend that to Ajanta Caves.

SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL (Erandol): There is a narrow gauge railway line between Pachora and Jamnagar on Central railway in Jalgaon district. This line is running in loss at present. I request the hon. Railway Minister to convert this line into broad gauge and also to extend this upto Ajantha caves.

It is learnt that the Government of Japan has decided to give an aid of about Rs. 195 crores for development of Ajantha and Elora caves. If talks can be held with that Government I feel they may agree to extend some financial help for converting this railway line into broad gauge. If this conversion is made, the tourists within the country will also find it very easy and comfortable to visit Ajantha and Elora caves.

I therefore urge upon the hon. Minister of Railways to sanction the conversion of this narrow gauge into broad gauge in the interest of development of agriculture and industries in the surrounding areas. Railways will also get good income from the traffic on this tract.

(iv) Need to modernise telephone exchange in Agra, Uttar Pradesh.

[*Translation*]

SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT (Agra): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the august House to the following matter under rule 377. The condition of Telephone connections in telephone

[Sh. Bhagwan Shankar Rawat]

exchanges in Agra and Foundry Nagar, Agra is very bad. It causes a lot of hardship to the foundry industry earning foreign exchanges worth crores of rupees, to the approximate number of 2 lakh tourists visiting Agra every year, to the shoe and carpet industry, to the collage industries making handicrafts, to the traders and telephone subscribers. Old telephone equipments have become obsolete and started deteriorating. They are not working well. Due to lack of proper maintenance, the general telephones have lost their credibility. As such, all the old telephone equipments should be changed. It is also necessary to repair the lines after making a thorough check of the same.

A list of about 12,000 applicants seeking telephone connections is pending. Applicants have been waiting for several years even after depositing money under "own your telephone by depositing Rs. 8000/- scheme." The Government has not formulated any scheme to provide telephone connections in sufficient numbers to people waiting for the same. Only 5,000 telephone lines are operating in Sanjay place telephone exchange out of the proposed 10,000 line capacity. All the 10,000 lines should be made fully operational at this exchange. I would like to request the Central Government to prepare a time bound programme for installing telephone equipments with modern technology by replacing the old equipments and providing new connections to people waiting for the same.

(v) Need to provide more funds to the State Government of Bihar for proper development of Jahanabad area in Bihar.

SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH (Jahanabad): India is a country with a federal character. Where people speaking different languages live. Bihar is an economically, socially and educationally backward State. The number of terrorist organisations are growing very fast in this State and innocent people are being massacred. Youth belonging to down-trodden communities, backward castes and poor classes of society are joining the ranks of these organisations. The Jahanabad Parliamentary Constituency has fallen a victim to these maladies. Backwardness is the main reason behind this.

Only backward castes and dalits live in hundreds of villages having population of 500 to 1000, in this constituency. There villages are even devoid of primary education. The people drink unsafe water containing soil, in these villages. These are the reasons. I would, therefore, request the Central Government to provide adequate funds to the State Government to complete all these work so that proper development of the area could be done and the youth could be prevented from joining extremist ranks.

[*English*]

(vi) Need to generate more employment by hastening the process of delineating the rocks in Kapadwanj and Thasara Taluka of Kheda district, Gujarat

SHRI GABHAJI MANGAJI THAKORE (Kapadwanj): Sir, the Kapadwanj and Thasara Taluka of Kheda district, Gujarat are backward areas. Because of the scanty rainfall and bleak irrigation resources, a large number of village youth are unemployed. The only source of providing some employment is to delineate the rocky areas which are rich in different minerals. As per the reports this area has good potential of reserves of minerals like bauxite, limestone, bentonite, gravel and sand. The present work in progress is able to engage about